

TRAGEDY IN BALTIMORE.

Singular Death of a Police Officer—Supposed Use of Accidental Shooting. The Baltimore American of Friday says:— One of the most remarkable and mysterious tragedies that have ever been chronicled in Baltimore was enacted in the western section of the city early yesterday morning, the victim being Officer Charles J. Walsh, of the Western Police Force, who met with a sudden death from a pistol-shot, supposed to have been the result of an accident. Under the recent order of the Police Board, the night force of the city police, as is generally known, are divided into two squads, the first of which are relieved at 1 o'clock in the morning, and the second at 11 o'clock in the morning. With the latter department Mr. Walsh was connected, and in accordance with the usual instructions, entered the Western station-house about 1 o'clock, and a few minutes later proceeded, in company with the squad to which he was attached, to the corner of Baltimore and Pearl streets, where he was last seen alive by his brother officers. A few moments after the latter had taken their departure the fatal pistol shot was heard, and passed directly over the head horizontally, penetrating the brain, and causing a profuse hemorrhage. When taken up his face and head were covered with blood, a pool of which was the size of a saucer, and he lay motionless and unconscious, and in that condition was removed to the Western Station House, where his condition was made as comfortable as possible by Lieutenant Moore, the officer in charge, who instantly sent for the medical attendants for the purpose. Professor Butler was in the room in a few minutes after being summoned, and at once applied every known remedy, but expressed his conviction that the injury was mortal, the truth of which prediction was fully illustrated by the death of the victim at fifteen minutes past three o'clock, exactly one and three-quarter hours after receiving the fatal shot. It was at first the general impression, created by the peculiar circumstances of the case, that the affair, that the deceased had voluntarily taken his life; but this theory seems to have been thoroughly dispelled by the evidence offered before the jury of inquiry, summoned before Dr. Spicer, coroner, to investigate the circumstances attending his death.

IMPORTANT ARREST.

A Desperate Highwayman in Custody at Harburg. Saturday's Harburg Patriot has the following:— At the instance of District Attorney Westling, who for good reasons considered the publication inadvisable until now, we have suppressed the following facts until this morning:— About ten days ago, Fillmore J. Shannon, a young man, about twenty-two years of age, a resident of this city, was arrested and imprisoned on a capias on charge of having assisted in brutally assaulting Jacob Poorman on State street last April, and robbing him of \$50.00. The circumstances of the outrage are perhaps yet fresh in the minds of this community. Five or six young ruffians watched a favorable opportunity to waylay Poorman, who was known to have considerable money on his person, and when he resisted himself they made a concerted attack on him, rifling his pockets. Several of the supposed ruffians were arrested soon after and put under bail.

Hearing that suspicion attached to him as being one of the party, Shannon decamped, remaining away from the city until a month or two ago, when he quietly returned. Up to the time of his arrest he kept himself secreted as much as possible, in the most careful manner, and was not seen by any of his acquaintances until he was found by the Grand Jury during his absence, and of which fact he had been made acquainted. On Wednesday of last week G. F. Tunis made information against Fillmore J. Shannon, the prisoner, for having committed a brutal assault on his son, Edward J. Tunis, on Saturday, December 17, and robbed him of fifty or sixty dollars in money and a gold watch. On Saturday the accused had a hearing before Alderman Kepner, District Attorney Westling representing the Commonwealth and B. F. Eiler, Esq., the defendant. After a thorough investigation, in which the evidence strongly pointed to the guilt of Shannon, he was committed for court.

"PATCHING" AND "DARNING."

A Goodly Exhibition of Patchwork—Garments for the Destitute—A Pair of Stockings with a Hundred Darned Holes. An entirely novel mode for supplying the poor with warm garments has been brought into existence by Messrs. Orange Judd & Co., publishers of American Agriculturist and Hearth and Home, who have opened a patching and darning exhibition at their rooms, No. 245 Broadway. They have issued an appeal to the wives and daughters of the country to contribute patched cast-off clothes for the destitute of the city and have offered premiums to those who excel in the art of putting a patch on. More than 1300 garments have been received for competition, and they represent the value of about \$1300. Nearly all the garments are of woollen fabric and comprise a great variety of clothes for male and female wear. Eighteen ladies have been appointed to award the prizes, which were fifteen dollars, ten dollars, five dollars, and subscriptions to certain weekly journals. These were awarded to girls of any age under sixteen years. A second set of the same premiums were given to ladies of any age over sixteen years. The contributors number 453, and are from twenty-eight different States and Territories. Several interesting specimens have been received, such as pairs of long stockings, one of one hundred holes darned, and a very good cloak marked as follows:—"This cloak is made of four pairs of old pants, one old vest, and two old coat linings. It is composed of sixty-eight pieces of material, and has been worn for three years to public school, and I hope will keep some other darling warm three years more. Mrs. McParker, Washington, Ind." It was awarded the first prize. The exhibition will be open to the public for three days, after which all the garments will be turned over to the Five Points Mission for distribution.—N. Y. Herald.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

A Man Falls Against a Circular Saw. An accident of a peculiarly shocking character occurred this morning at the Point Saw Mill of Messrs. Richey, Fine Hill & Co., located on Smoky Island, First ward, Allegheny. It appears that shortly after the mill started this morning John Douglas was engaged in working about a large circular saw. While removing a slab which had been cut from a log, his foot slipped, and he was thrown with great violence against the saw, which was revolving at the time with fearful rapidity. In falling, his hip struck the saw, and in a moment the bone was literally severed through, the saw an oblique and downward character, leaving the limb hanging by a mere shred of flesh. The machinery was stopped in a few seconds, but not in time to avert the fearful accident. The workmen in the mill immediately removed the injured man to the residence of his parents, at No. 73 Belmont street, in the Fifth ward, and the services of Drs. Huselet and Mabon secured. The limb was amputated and the injuries dressed by the physicians, we are informed, have but faint hopes that the unfortunate man will recover. Douglas is about twenty years of age and unmarried.—Pittsburgh Chronicle, 15th.

It is a Republican claim in New Hampshire that they have as their candidate for Governor "a soldier without arrogance, a clergyman without clerical ignorance of business, an advocate of temperance without tyranny, and a politician without trickery."—The Democrats of Wayne county, Ohio, celebrated the anniversary of the battle of New Orleans. Pendleton sent a letter and Vallandigham made a speech.

1829. CHARTER PERPETUAL 1870. Franklin Fire Insurance Company OF PHILADELPHIA. Office, Nos. 435 and 437 CHESTNUT ST. Assets Aug. 1, '70 \$3,009,888 24. CAPITAL \$400,000.00 ACCRUED SURPLUS AND PREMIUMS 3,609,888.24 INCOME FOR 1870, LOSSES PAID IN 1869, \$610,000, \$144,908.42. Losses paid since 1859 over \$5,500,000. Perpetual and Temporary Policies on Libera Terms. The Company also issues policies on the Rent of all kinds of Buildings, Ground Rents, and Mortgages. The "FRANKLIN" has no DISPUTED CLAIM.

ASBURY LIFE INSURANCE CO. NEW YORK. LEMUEL BANGS, President. GEORGE ELLIOTT, Vice-Prest and Sec'y. EMORY MCCLINTOCK, Actuary. JAMES M. LONGACRE, MANAGER FOR PENNSYLVANIA AND DELAWARE. Office, 302 WALNUT ST., Philadelphia. H. C. WOOD, Jr., Medical Examiner. 523 WALNUT REV. S. FOWERS, Special Agent.

FIRE ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED MARCH 17, 1850. OFFICE, No. 84 NORTH FIFTH STREET, INSURE BUILDINGS, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, AND MERCHANDISE GENERALLY. From Loss by fire (in the City of Philadelphia only) ASSETS, JANUARY 1, 1870, \$1,574,734. Trustees: William H. Hamilton, Charles P. Bower, John Carrow, Robert Shoemaker, George I. Young, Peter Armstrong, Levi P. Coats, M. H. Dickinson, Samuel Sparhawk, Joseph E. Schell, W. M. H. HAMILTON, President. SAMUEL SPARHAWK, Vice-President. WILLIAM F. BUTLER, Secretary.

THE PENNSYLVANIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. Incorporated 1825—Perpetual. No. 510 WALNUT STREET, opposite Independence Square. This Company, favorably known to the community for over forty years, is authorized to insure against loss or damage by fire on Public or Private Buildings, either permanently or for a limited time. Also on Furniture, Stocks of Goods, and Merchandise generally, on liberal terms. Their Capital, together with a large Surplus Fund is invested in the most careful manner, which enables them to offer to the insured an undoubted security in the case of loss.

FAME INSURANCE COMPANY. No. 809 CHESTNUT STREET. INCORPORATED 1856. CHARTER PERPETUAL. CAPITAL \$500,000. FIRE INSURANCE EXCLUSIVELY. Insurance against Loss or Damage by Fire either Perpetual or Temporary Policies. DIRECTORS: Charles Richardson, Robert Pearce, William H. Rhawn, John Kessler, Jr., Edward B. Orne, John F. Smyth, Charles Stokes, Nathan Biles, John W. Everman, George A. West, CHARLES RICHARDSON, President. CHARLES H. RHEIN, Vice-President. WILLIAMS I. BLANCHARD, Secretary, 739 BROADWAY.

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AUCTION SALES. HENRY W. & B. SCOTT, JR. AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 1125 CHESTNUT STREET. (Until negotiations for a permanent and eligible location, low pending, are consummated, sales on the premises receive prompt and personal attention.) M. THOMAS & SONS, AUCTIONEERS, Nos. 139 and 141 S. FOURTH STREET. SALE OF REAL ESTATE AND STOCKS. Jan. 17, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Exchange, will be sold:— CATHARTS, Nos. 22, 24, and 26—General Dwell- ings. SEVENTEENTH AND ARCH, N. W. corner—Store and Dwelling. THIRD AND CANAL, S. E. corner—Tavern and Dwelling. THIRD AND GIRARD AVENUE, S. W. corner—Business Stand. GREEN, No. 1566—Modern Residence. CROWN, No. 348—Elegant Dwelling. RICHMOND AND YORK, N. E. corner—Business Lot. STATE, East of Howard, Camden—Desirable Lot. 60 shares Grand Fire and Marine Insurance Co. 60 shares Bank of North America. 60 shares National Bank of the Republic. 60 shares United Firemen's Insurance Co. 60 shares Philadelphia Mutual Assurance Co. 60 shares American Sewing Machine Co. 6000 Western Pennsylvania Railroad 6 per cent. 60 shares Philadelphia Mutual Assurance Co. 6000 Central and Amboy Railroad, 1859. 11 shares United National Bank. 11 shares Enterprise Insurance Co., par 100. 53 shares Bethlehem Iron Co., par 50. 113 4 shares Philadelphia and Southern Mail S. S. Co. 28 shares Empire Transportation Co. 800 Union Passenger Railway. Catalogues now ready.

THOMAS BIRCH & SON, AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 1110 CHESTNUT STREET; rear entrance No. 1177 Sanson street. Sale at No. 1250 Spruce street. ELEGANT PAINTED AND CHERRY FURNITURE, Splendid Melodeon, Piano-Forte, Mason & Hamlin Melodeon, Bronze Vases, Large Mantel Mirrors, Jewelry Chest, Paintings, Engravings, Etc., Etc. On Wednesday Morning, Jan. 18, at 10 o'clock, at No. 1250 Spruce street, will be sold the contents of a certain room, including one splendid rosewood piano-forte, made by De Haen of Paris, cost \$1500, gold, in Paris, can be played by hand and has 48 pieces of music to be played by mechanism; a Mason & Hamlin melodeon, cost \$450; elegant set of chamber furniture, made by Henkle; large wardrobe, with mirror top; one tapestry carpet; parlor set, in green plush; large French panel mirror, walnut frame; reclining chair, bronze mantel clock; lace curtains; bed paintings and framed engravings; small fire-proof safe; Washington globe; writing desk, silver-plated ware, etc. Catalogues can be had at the auction store on Monday. The furniture can be examined early on the morning of sale. Owing to the sale being confined to two rooms, tickets of admission will be required, which are to be had on application at the auction store.

MARTIN BROTHERS, AUCTIONEERS, No. 104 CHESTNUT STREET. Positive Sale. ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY PINE MODERN OIL PAINTINGS IN HANDSOME FRAMES. On Wednesday and Thursday, January 13 and 14, at 1 o'clock each day, by catalogue, one hundred and thirty fine modern oil paintings, embracing every variety of subject, by well-known artists. Catalogues on Tuesday. 116 St. BY MAGILL, FARRELL & CO. AUCTIONEERS, No. 318 MARKET STREET. On Wednesday Morning, January 18, commencing at 10 o'clock, SALE OF MANUFACTURED FURS, ROBES, ETC. 100 LOTS READY-MADE CLOTHING. Also, A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF DRY GOODS.

CORNET HALL AUCTION ROOMS, No. 1215 CHESTNUT STREET. T. A. MCLELLAND, AUCTIONEER. Personal attention given to sales of household furniture at dwellings. Public sales of furniture at the Auction Rooms, No. 1215 Chestnut street, every Monday and Thursday. For particulars see "Public Ledger." N. B.—A superior class of furniture at private sale.

CIRCUS AT AUCTION. Great sale of Circus property at Raleigh, N. C., on MONDAY, January 30, 1871, consisting of the entire stock and fixtures of Dr. James L. Tinsley's New Circus, lately traveling through the South; everything necessary for a first-class circus:— 42 first-class horses. 8 first-class riding horses. 8 first-class trained Pad Horses. 27 Trick Horses, the best in the business. 15 first-class Spring Wagons. Ticket Wagon; Performer's Wagon, nearly new. Hand Wagon, Concord built, nearly new; coat box. Advertising Wagon, Pole Wagon, Poles, Seats, and everything required for canvas. 50 Brides and Saddle Horses, almost new. A complete outfit of Entire Dressers, for ladies, men, and horses; Pads for horses, etc.; Instruments for brass bands, and other articles too numerous to mention. All the above property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. T. E. LEE, Sheriff Wake county, N. C. N. B.—Nine experienced drivers and hostlers can be employed on reasonable terms. 19 1/2-30

PROPOSALS. NAVY PAYMASTER'S OFFICE, No. 427 CHESTNUT STREET. Philadelphia, Jan. 6, 1871. Sealed Proposals, endorsed "Proposals, Construction and Repairs," will be received at this office until 1 P. M. MONDAY, the sixteenth day of January, 1871, for the following supplies, which must be of the very best quality, to be delivered at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, free of charge, subject to the usual conditions of instructions and proposals, etc., viz:— One (1) Plaster, to plane 36 inches wide by 30 inches high and eight feet long; to be put up in complete running order, with shafting, belting, pulleys, etc. One (1) twelve (12) inch Shaping Machine, to be put up, etc. as above. One (1) Lathe, to swing 23 inches over V slides, and 14 inches over rest carries, etc. Full specifications of the requirements in the above list can be seen on application at this Office, or to the Naval Constructor at the Navy Yard. Bidders must state in their bids the time within which the articles can be delivered. Responsible security required for the prompt delivery of the above, in conformity with stipulations on the blank forms for bids, to be had at this office; otherwise bids will not be entertained. A. W. RUSSELL, Paymaster U. S. Navy.

PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING. Notice is hereby given that Sealed Proposals for the Public Printing and Binding for the State of Pennsylvania, for the term of three years from the first day of July, 1871, will be received by the Speakers of the Senate and House of Representatives from this date to the fourth Tuesday of January, 1871, in compliance with the act of Assembly entitled "An act in relation to Public Printing," approved 8th of April, 1855; said proposals to be accompanied by bonds, with approved securities, for the faithful performance of the work, as required by the act of 25th February, 1863, entitled "A further act in relation to Public Printing," approved 8th of April, 1863, and proposed to be accompanied by the Secretary of the Commonwealth. F. JORDAN, Secretary of the Commonwealth. FARRISBURG, Jan. 2, 1871. 19 1/2-30

SHIPPING AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS. No. 20 CENTRE STREET, New York. No. 42 PRATT STREET, Philadelphia. No. 42 PRATT STREET, New York. We are prepared to ship every description of intermediate and long-haul cargoes, to New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and other ports, with promptness and despatch. Canal Boats and Steam-tugs furnished at the shortest notice. ALEXANDER G. CATTRELL & CO. PRODUCE, OILS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 28 NORTH WHARF, PHILADELPHIA. AND No. 57 NORTH WATER STREET, PHILADELPHIA. ALEXANDER G. CATTRELL, BUREAU OFFICE